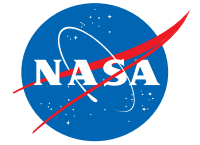
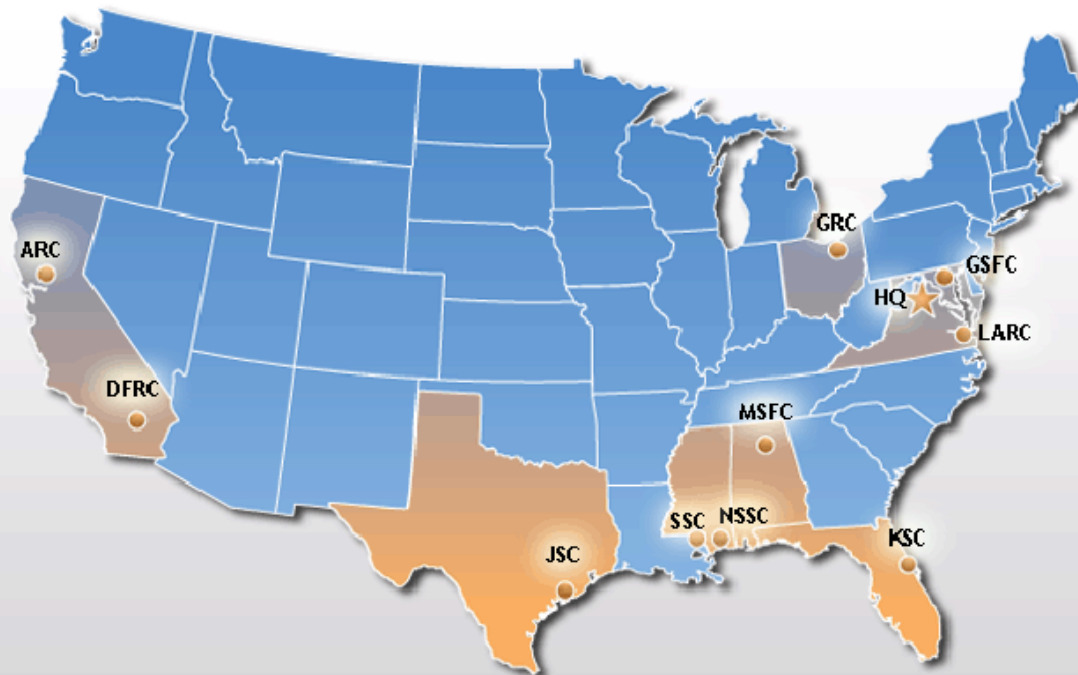


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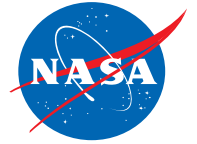


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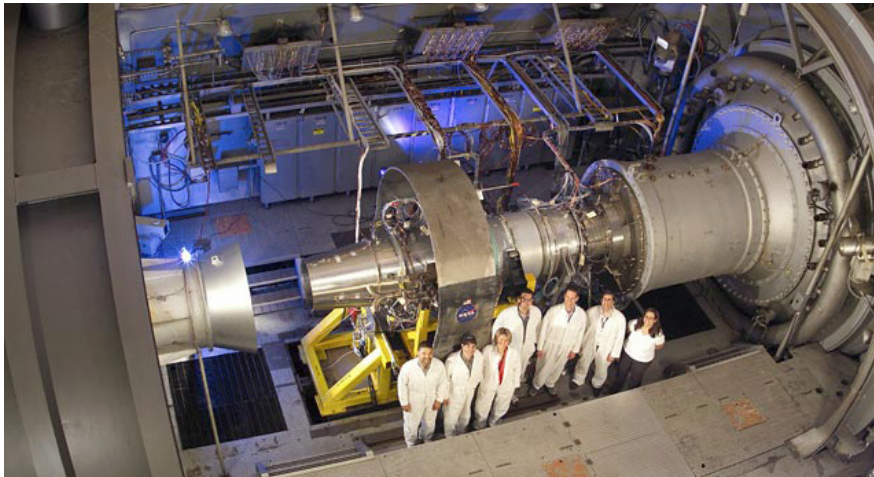
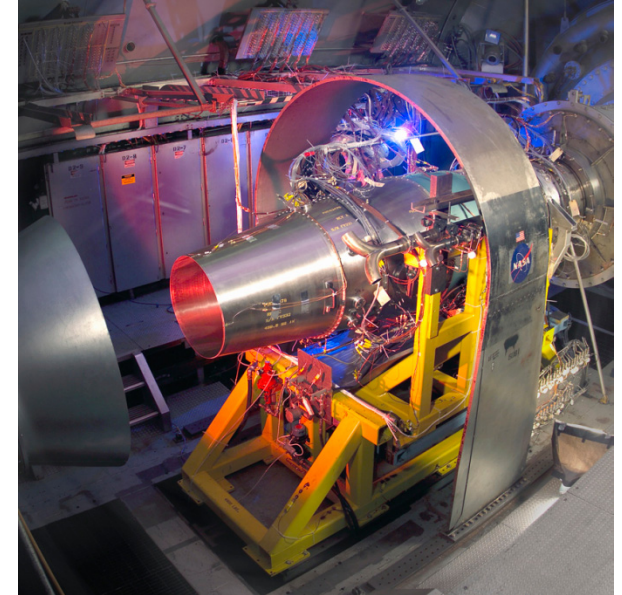
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PSL Engine Testing

**National Research Facility
Commercial Development
National Defense Initiatives
Other Unique Applications**

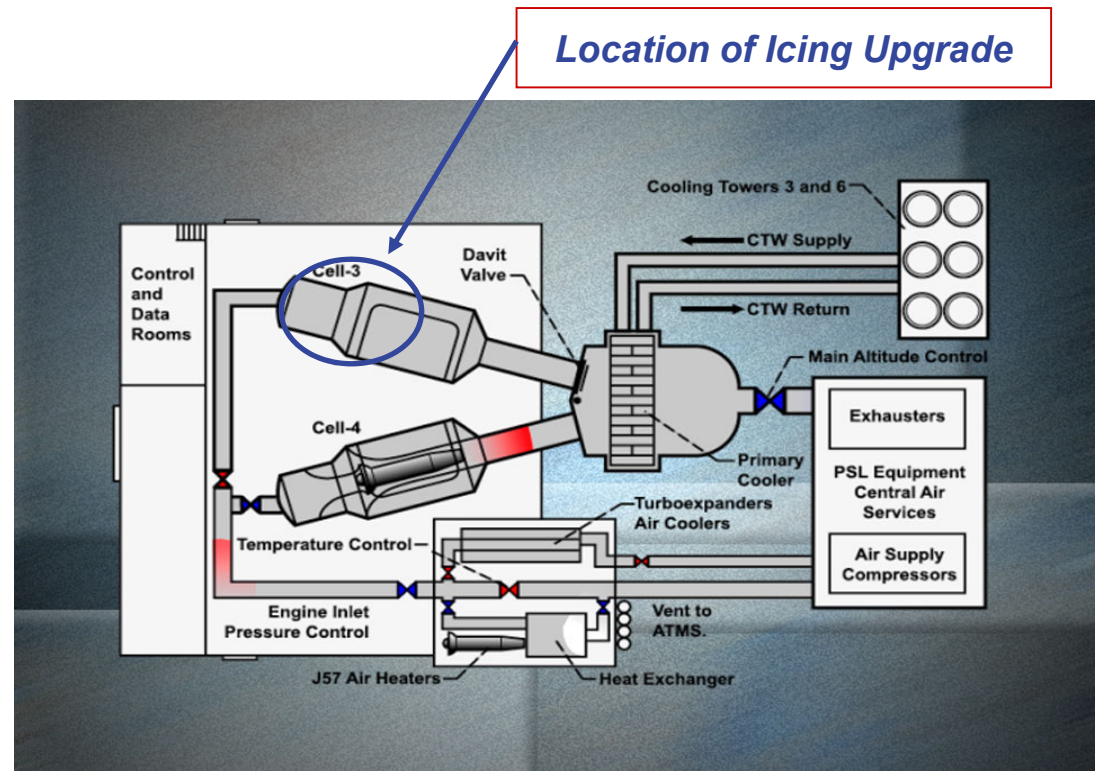


- Engine Operability and Stall Resistance
- High Altitude Performance
- General Aviation and Business Jets
- Military Fighter Engine Development
- Helicopter Turbo-shaft Engines
- UAV/Missile Engines
- **Ice Crystal Research (new)**

Propulsion Systems Laboratory

NASA Glenn's Propulsion Systems Lab (PSL) is one of the Nation's Premier Direct Connect Altitude Simulation Facilities for Full-Scale Gas Turbine Engines and Propulsion System Research

- Two test sections share common inlet and exhaust
- Continuous Operation at high air flow rates
Altitude 90,000 ft (-90 deg F)
PSL-3 Mach 3.0 (600 deg F)
PSL-4 Mach 4.0 (1000 deg F)
- Six component thrust system (50,000 lbf)
- Real time, high speed data acquisition and display



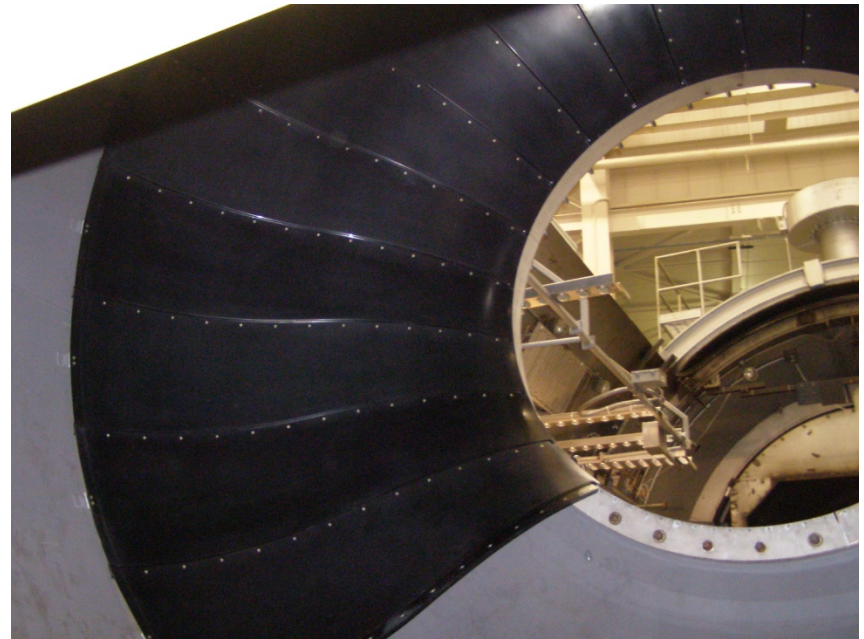
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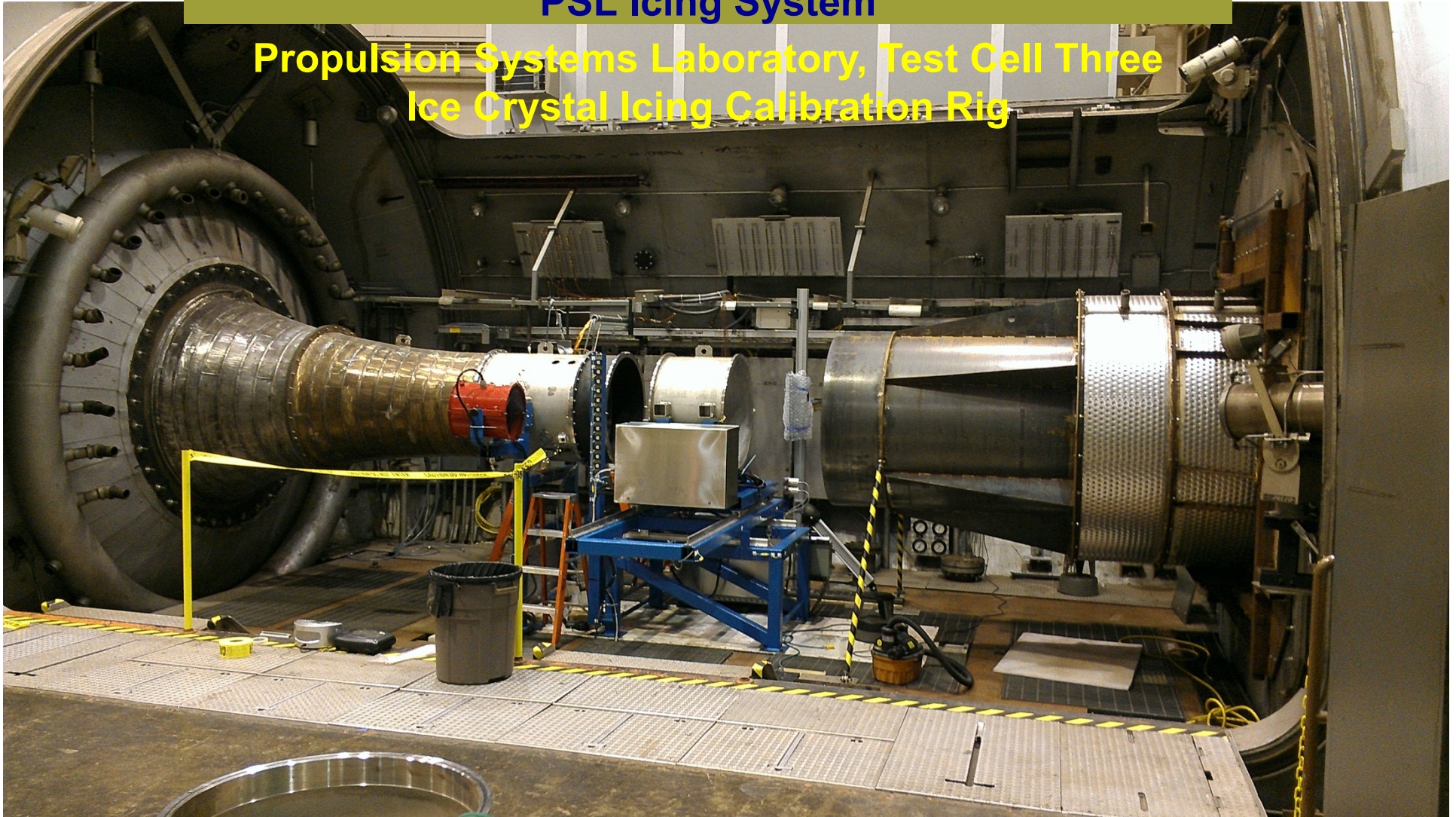
Transition Sections Installed in Plenum



System Description

PSL Icing System

Propulsion Systems Laboratory, Test Cell Three
Ice Crystal Icing Calibration Rig



Progress/Plan

PSL Icing System

- **Main Icing System Installation** (completed Q2, 2011)
- **Test Cell Hardware** (in progress)
- **Integrated Systems Test** (completed Q2, 2012)
 - System Checkouts
 - Full up Icing System Integrity and Operations Check
 - Spray Bar Vibration Survey (completed Q2, 2012)
 - Aero-thermal Calibration, Station 1 (completed Q2, 2012)
 - Spray bar systems water and ice (in progress)
- **Calibration Testing-no engine installed**
 - Scheduled to begin Q3, 2012
- **Validation Testing-engine installed**
 - Scheduled to begin Q1, 2013

Objectives

PSL Icing System

- NASA Mission: Improving Aviation Safety
- Establish a ground-based, engine altitude test facility with ice crystal cloud capability.
- Study the physics of ice crystal icing in turbofan engines.
- Development of engine test methodology in this novel facility
- Development of data sets to help validate NASA engine icing computer codes
- Engage in collaborative engine icing research with domestic and international partners.

Technical Objectives

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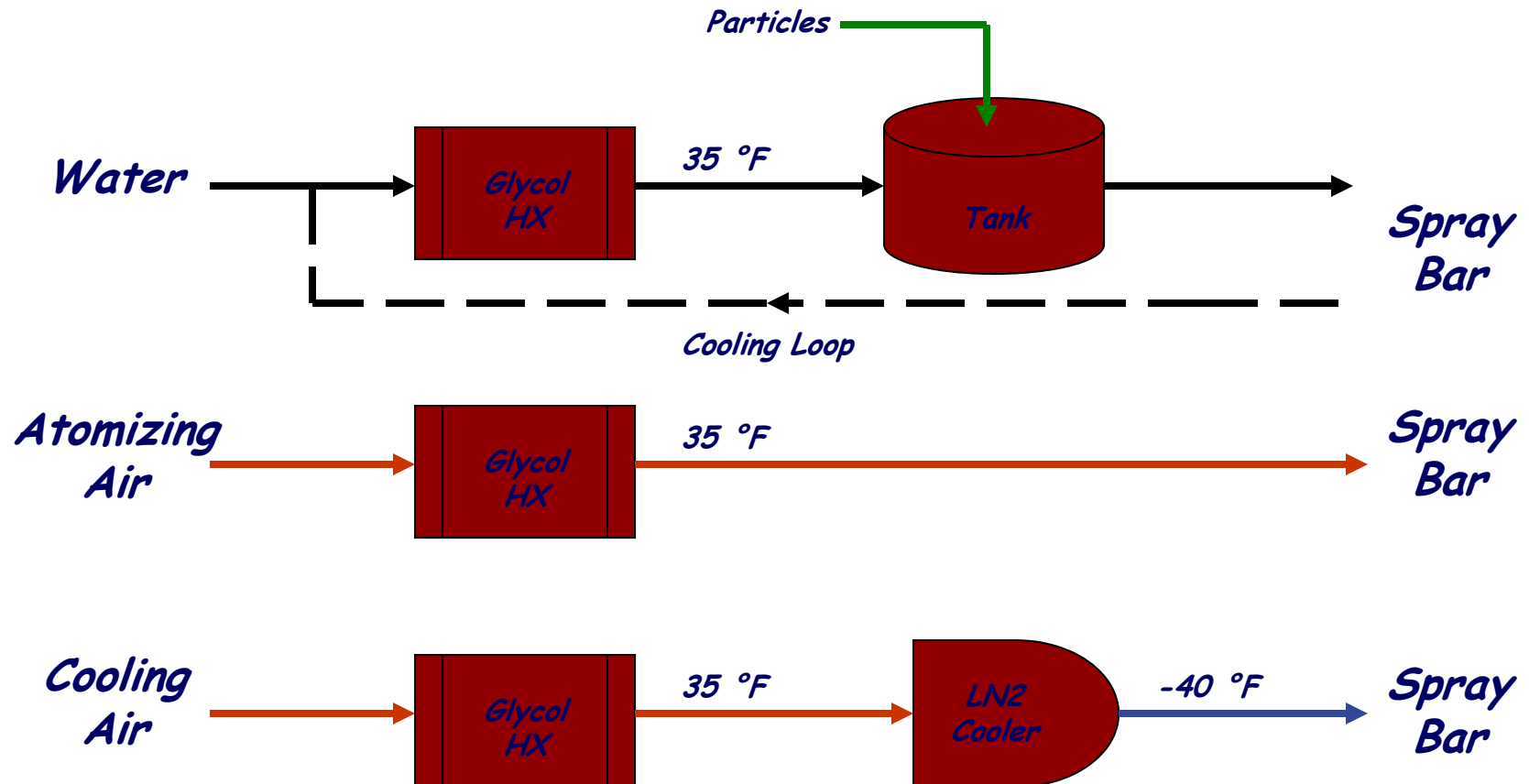
- Icing system was designed and built to requirements established through a international collaborative process between industry and government representatives

Specified Requirement		
Specification	Minimum	Maximum
Altitude (pressure)	4000 ft	40,000 ft
Inlet Total Temperature	-60°F	15°F
Mach Number	0.15	0.80
Air Flow Rate	10 lbm/sec	330 lbm/sec
IWC (icing water content)	0.5 g/m ³	9.0 g/m ³
MVD (median volumetric diameter)	40μ	60μ
Run Time	Continuous up to 45 minutes	

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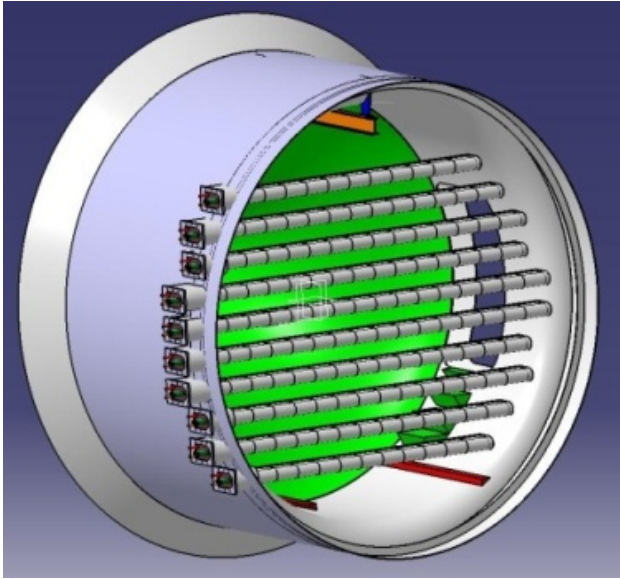
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Subsystems Design Summary

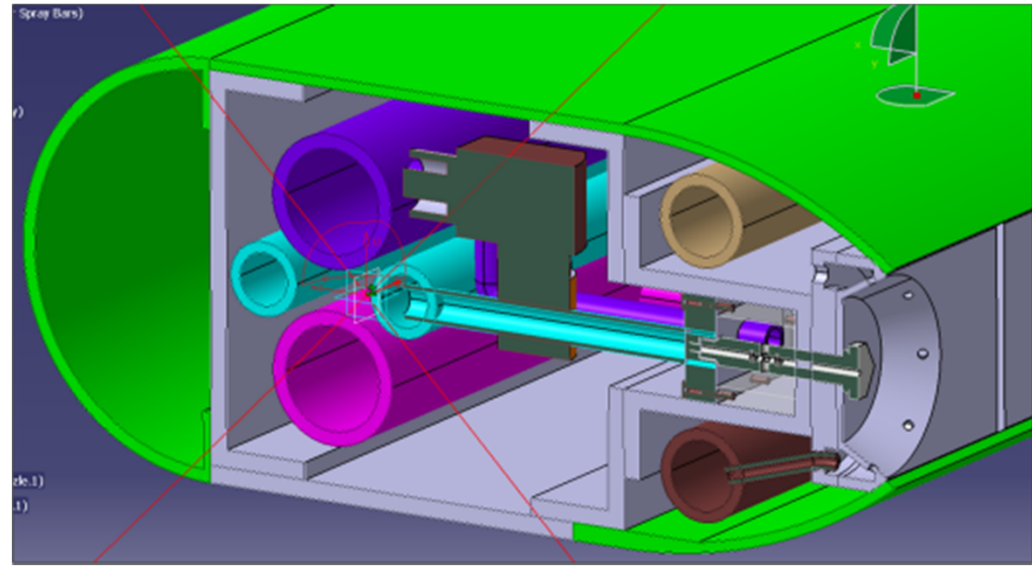


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PSL 3 Plenum Spray Bars

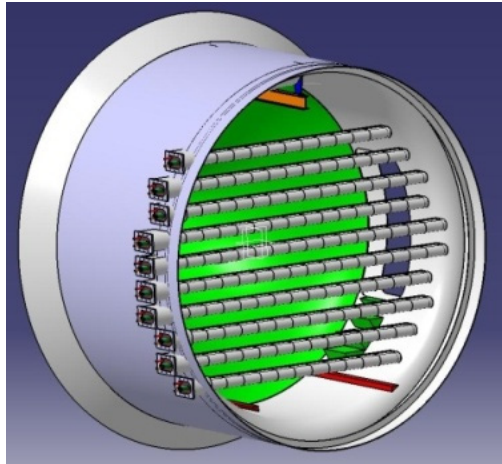


Spray Bar Detail

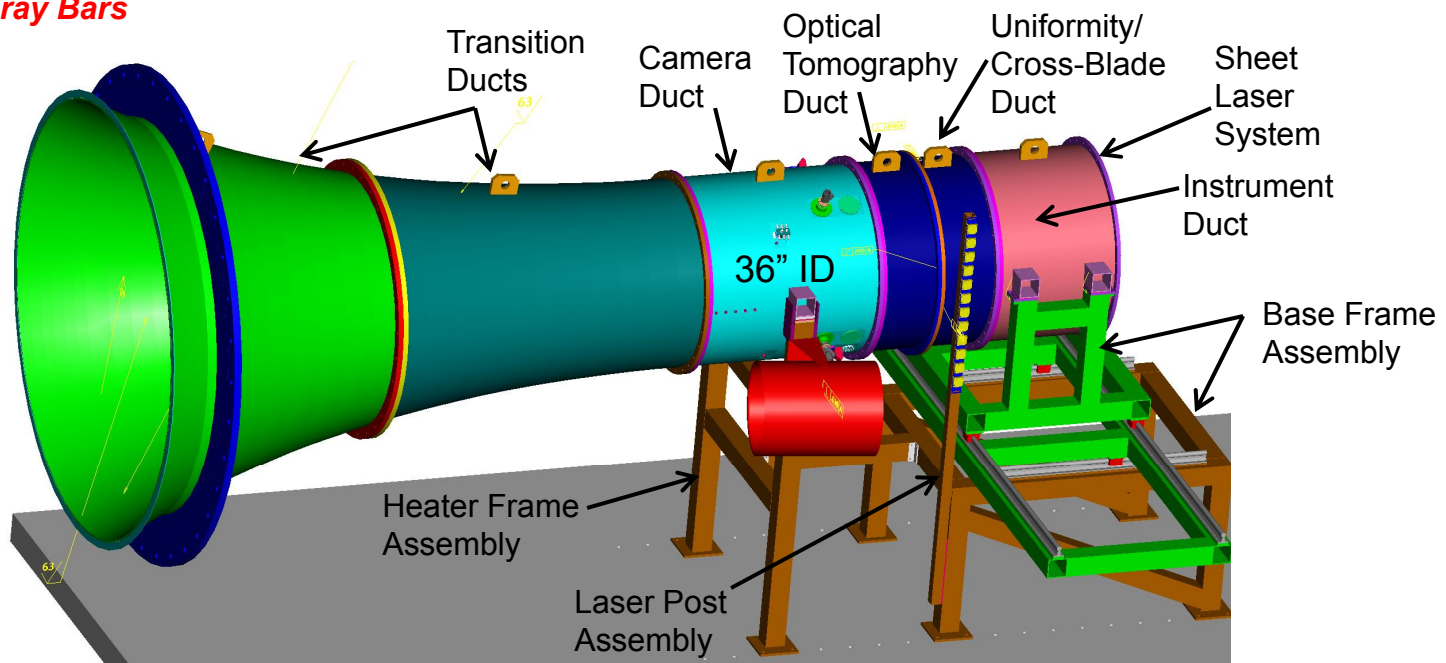
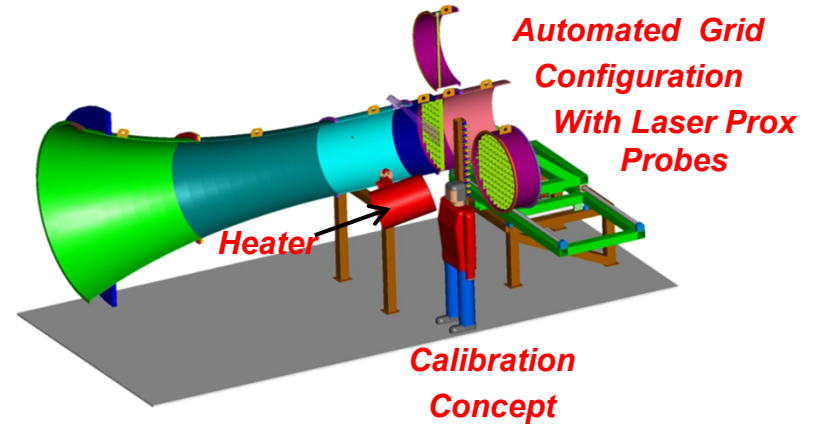
- 10 Spray Bars
- 200+ Nozzles (2 types) mounted in PSL Cell 3 plenum
- 35°F atomized water
- -40°F cooling air at nozzle exit → enhance freezing.

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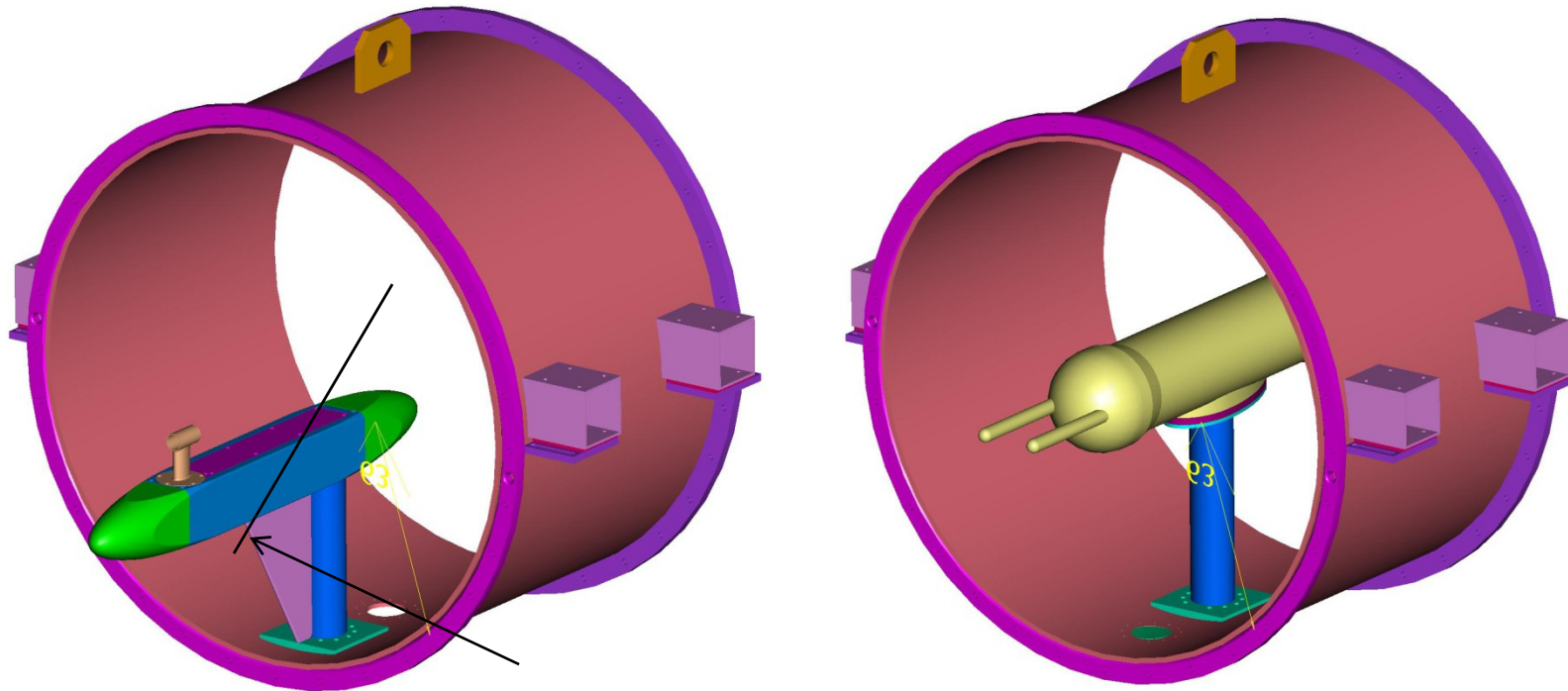
Calibration Hardware



Spray Bars

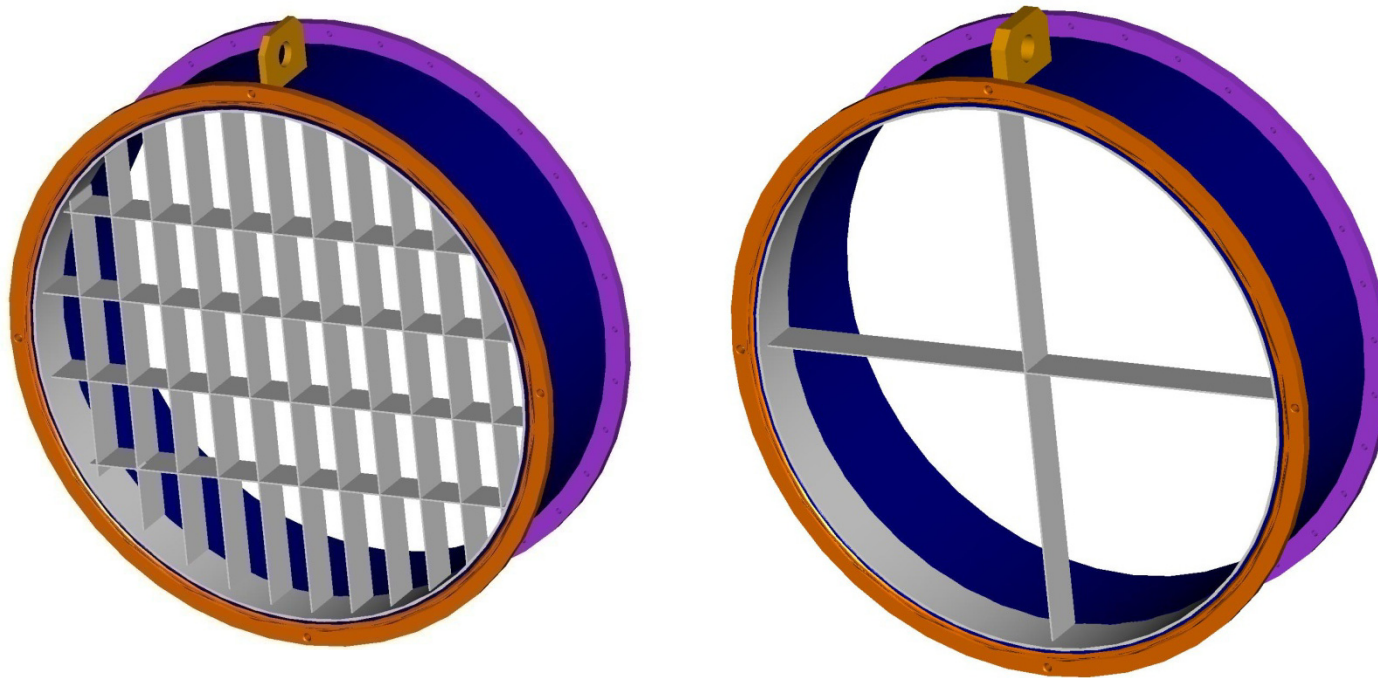


Instrument Duct

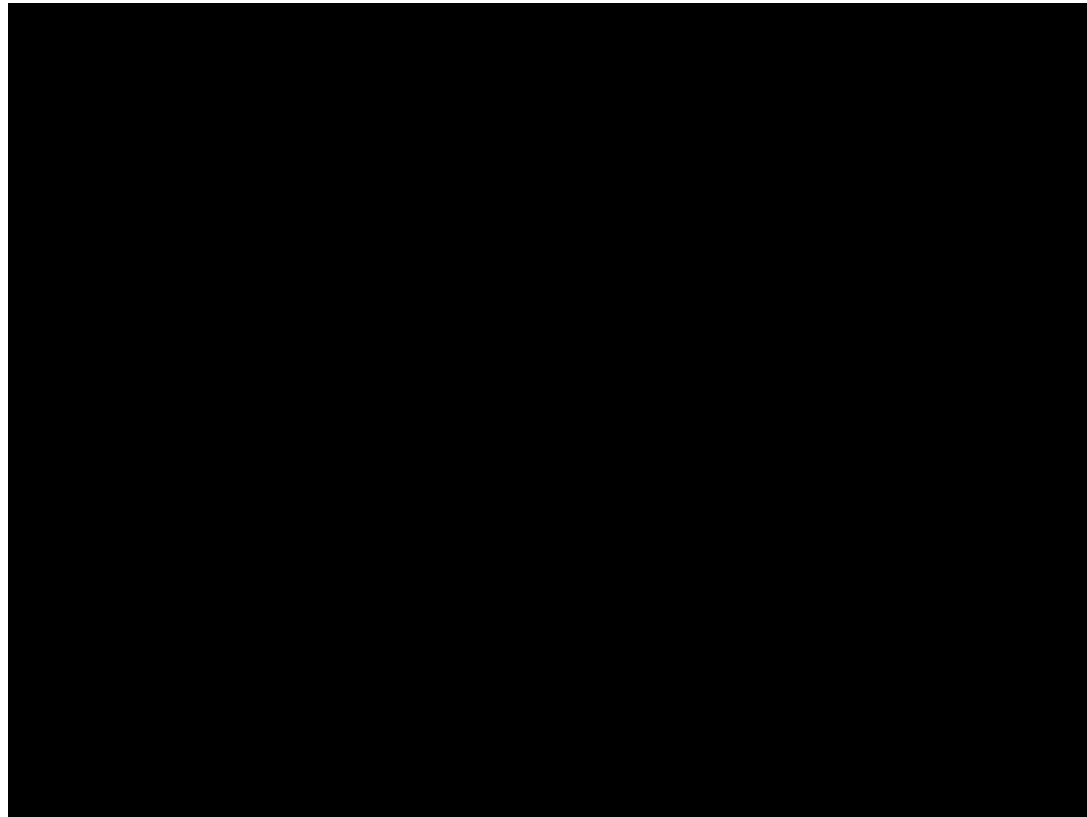


Shown with Multi-Wire (Left). CDP and CIP probes planned for particle sizing.

Uniformity/Cross Blade Duct



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